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**Preliminary experience with medical applications of rapid prototyping by selective laser sintering**

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**Rapid prototyping** techniques, originally developed for building components from computer aided designs in the motor industry, are now being applied in medicine to build **models** of human anatomy from high resolution multiplanar **imaging** data such as computed **tomography** (CT). The established technique of stereolithography and the more recent selective laser sintering (SLS), both build up an object by layer. **Models** have applications in surgical planning, for the design of customised implants and for training. Preliminary experience of using the SLS technique for medical applications is described, addressing questions regarding image processing, data transfer and manufacture. Pilot **models**, build from nylon, included two skulls (a child with **craniosynostosis** and an adult with hypertelorism) and a normal femur which was modelled for use in a bioengineering test of an artificial hip. The dimensions of the **models** were found to be in good agreement with the CT data from which they were built - for the child's skull the difference between the **model** and the CT data was less than 1.0 +/- 0.5 mm in each direction. Our experience showed that, with care, a combination of existing software packages may be used for data conversion. Ideally, image data of high spatial resolution should be used. The pilot **models** generated sufficient clinical interest for the technique to be pursued in the orthopaedic field.

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**Skull Base Surgery. Skull Base Surgery. Ideas and Innovations for Craniofacial Surgery.**

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**Abstract:** **Craniosynostosis** treatment is aimed at prevention of such functional disorders as high intracranial pressure and psychomotor development disorders by resolving cerebral growth impairment and, at the same time, improving morphological abnormalities. Recent developments in craniofacial surgery have made it possible to perform a series of surgical procedures such as osteotomies including the skull base, and the remodelling of multiple bone flaps. This has contributed to considerable improvement in therapeutic results. In addition, we have developed the following ideas and innovations for the performing of these surgical procedures. (1) Rigid/semi-rigid osteosynthesis with titanium plates: Fixing bone flaps three-dimensionally with titanium microplate and TM HAKEN plate to retraction (Figs. 1,2). (2) Intra-operative scalp expansion with a tissue expander: Expanding scalp intra-operatively with tissue expander when closing wounds and maintaining shape of remodelled bone flaps (Fig. 3). (3) **Simulation** surgery using a three-dimensional substantial **model**: Creating a three-dimensional substantial **model** based on CT data to perform accurate **simulation** surgery conforming with actual operation (Fig. 4). (4) Bone transfer using outer table of calvarial bone graft and flap: Ensuring reliable bone transfer with bone grafts using the outer table of calvarial bone and vascularized outer table calvarial bone flaps (Figs. 5,6). (5) Osteosynthesis with bio-absorbable implants: using absorbable PLLA plates, which have excellent biocompatibility, to avoid bone growth inhibition in children (Fig. 7). These ideas and innovations have been applied in surgery for various traumatic bone fractures, growing skull fractures, **craniosynostosis** including oxycephaly, Apert's syndrome, and so forth. Both functional and esthetic results were satisfactory. (author abst.)

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**Cranial suture simulator for ultrasound diagnosis of craniosynostosis.**

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**BACKGROUND:** In evaluating the effectiveness of ultrasound as a screening tool for craniosynostosis it was discovered that sonologists and sonographers needed more experience scanning and visualizing cranial sutures on ultrasound. **OBJECTIVE:** To create an ultrasound simulator to train radiologists and technologists to locate and recognize patent and fused cranial sutures in children. **MATERIALS AND METHODS:** The hypoechoic appearance of patent sutures was simulated by cutting lines into life-sized plastic doll heads and filling them with a commercial hypoechogenic material. Fused hyperechoic sutures were simulated by not cutting into the hard plastic region of a suture. The simulator's teaching value was evaluated on three radiology residents and three fellows. Subjects performed pre-training scans on unknown simulators, received feedback and an opportunity to scan a training simulator, and then performed post-training scans on random unknown simulators. Accuracy was recorded as percentage of correctly demonstrated sutures. **RESULTS:** The suture simulator reproduces the sonographic appearance of patent and fused cranial sutures. Accuracy of acquisition, interpretation, and overall diagnosis increased from 64 to 91%, 79 to 91%, 61 to 97%, respectively, between pre and post training scans. **CONCLUSION:** An ultrasound simulator can reproduce the appearance of patent and fused cranial **sutures** in children and can be used to train radiologists and technologists in the performance of a screening protocol.

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**True 3D reconstruction for planning of surgery on malformed skulls.**

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**OBJECTIVES:** Since the difficulty associated with surgical planning of **craniosynostosis** is mostly due to the inadequate possibilities for **simulation** of surgery, a new technique for constructing a precise reproduction of a patient's malformed skull has been developed. **MATERIALS AND METHODS:** CT scans of ten malformed skulls on a scale of 1:1 and with 1-mm slices have been used to reconstruct the skulls in a special resin using a special lathe used in the automobile construction industry for formula one engines. This lathe works in the opposite way to other lathes: by apposition of material instead of subtraction. **RESULTS:** The anatomical detail of the phantom is of a very high degree. The surgical planning it allows has proved highly consistent with reality in all cases in which it has been used in the planning before the operation. **DISCUSSION AND CONCLUSIONS:** This technique has made it possible to plan the surgical treatment of all patients with **craniosynostosis** in a highly satisfactory way. It has reduced operating times, in addition to which it provides information on materials needed, avoiding waste, and is also an excellent teaching method for residents.

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**On the assets of CAD planning for craniosynostosis surgery.**

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SkullWiz is a computer-aided design program that transforms computer **tomographic** data of the neurocranium into a mathematical **model** that can be interactively manipulated to plan **craniosynostosis** surgery. Proper planning of this type of surgery involves reference to the underlying viscerocranium and to normal neurocranial dimensions, **simulation** of all basic surgical actions (closed and open osteotomy, translation, rotation, bending, removal, burring), and reference to the mechanical properties of calvarial bone at a given age. With SkullWiz, infinite trials are possible to develop a surgical plan that combines minimal action with maximum morphologic result. In contrast, physical **models**, e.g., foam milled or stereolithographic, provide just a single (or double, after gluing) opportunity to visualize three-dimensional morphology and **simulate** a treatment plan, without reference support. Validation of SkullWiz is difficult due to parameter variability. Its assets are therefore graphically exemplified in two common types of nonsyndromatic single-suture **craniosynostosis**-trigonocephaly and anterior plagiocephaly. SkullWiz is one of the most accurate planning tools currently available for **craniosynostosis** surgery. Accurate transfer of the planning by aluminium templates results in efficient and precise surgery by avoiding per-operative "chipping and fitting."

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**Reduction of operating time and blood transfusion for craniosynostosis by simulated surgery using three-dimensional solid models.**

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Neurologia medico-chirurgica ( JAPAN ) Jun 1999 , 39 (6) p423-6; discussion 427 , ISSN: 0470-8105--Print

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Preoperative planning of craniofacial synostosis can be achieved through the use of two- or three-dimensional (3D) computed tomography ( CT) images and by 3D solid models. The advantage of using 3D models was evaluated by calculating the amount of blood transfused and the operating time for 36 craniosynostosis procedures, 21 planned with 3D models and 15 with CT images performed in the past 7 years. The use of 3D models reduced both blood loss and operating time for fronto-orbital advancement with reshaping, LeFort III advancement, and LeFort IV minus Glabellar advancement; blood loss for fronto-orbital advancement without reshaping; and operating time for total cranial reshaping.

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**Intracranial volume in craniosynostotic rabbits.**

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Although **craniosynostosis** alters brain growth direction resulting in compensatory changes in the neurocranium, it has been suggested that such compensations occur with little reduction in intracranial volume (ICV). This hypothesis was tested in a rabbit **model** with nonsyndromic, familial coronal suture synostosis. Cross-sectional three-dimensional computed **tomographic** head scans were obtained from 79 rabbits (25 normal, 28 with delayed-onset synostosis, and 26 with early-onset synostosis) at 25, 42, and 126 days of age. Intracranial contents were reconstructed and indirect ICV was calculated. Results revealed that by 25 days of age the intracranial contents from early-onset synostosed rabbit skulls showed rostral (anterior) constrictions and a "beaten copper" morphology in the parietal and temporal regions compared with the other two groups. These deformities increased in severity with age. Quantitatively, ICV was significantly reduced ( $P < 0.05$ ) by 7% in rabbits with early-onset synostosis compared with both control rabbits and rabbits with delayed-onset synostosis at 25 days of age. By 126 days of age, ICV in rabbits with synostosis was significantly reduced ( $p < 0.05$ ) by 11% in early-onset synostosis and by 8% in delayed-onset synostosis compared with normal rabbits. Results suggest that in rabbits with uncorrected **craniosynostosis**, compensatory changes in the neurocranium were not adequate to allow normal expansion of the neurocapsular matrix. Further research is needed to determine if ICV reduction is correlated with cerebral atrophy or cerebral spinal fluid (i.e., ventricular or subarachnoid) space compression in this **model**.

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**A rabbit model of human familial, nonsyndromic unicoronal suture synostosis. II. Intracranial contents, intracranial volume, and intracranial pressure.**

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This two-part study reviews data from a recently developed colony of New Zealand white rabbits with familial, nonsyndromic unilateral coronal suture synostosis, and this second part presents neuropathological findings and age-related changes in intracranial volume (ICV) and intracranial pressure (ICP) in 106 normal rabbits and 56 **craniosynostotic** rabbits from this colony. Brain morphology and anteroposterior length were described in 44 rabbit fetuses and perinates (27 normal; 17 synostosed). Middle meningeal artery patterns were qualitatively assessed from 2-D PCC MRI VENC scans and endocranial tracings from 15, 126-day-old rabbits (8 normal, 7 rabbits with unicoronal synostosis). Brain metabolism was evaluated by assessing 18F-FDG uptake with high-resolution PET scanning in 7, 25-day-old rabbits (3 normal, 4 with unicoronal or bicoronal synostosis). Intracranial contents and ICV were assessed using 3-D CT scanning of the skulls of 30 rabbits (20 normal, 10 with unicoronal synostosis) at 42 and 126 days of age. Serial ICP data were collected from 66 rabbits (49 normal; 17 with unicoronal synostosis) at 25 and 42 days of age. ICP was assessed in the epidural space using a Codman NeuroMonitor microsensor transducer. Results revealed that cerebral cortex morphology was similar between normal and synostosed fetuses around the time of synostosis. Significantly ( $P<0.05$ ) decreased A-P cerebral hemisphere growth rates and asymmetrical cortical remodeling were noted with increasing age in synostotic rabbits. In addition, rabbits with unicoronal suture synostosis exhibited asymmetrical middle meningeal artery patterns, decreased and asymmetrical brain metabolism, a "beaten-copper" intracranial appearance, significantly ( $P<0.05$ ) decreased ICV, and significantly ( $P<0.01$ ) elevated ICP compared with normal control rabbits. The advantages and disadvantages of these rabbits as a **model** for human familial, nonsyndromic unicoronal suture synostosis are discussed, especially in light of recent clinical neuropathological, ICV, and ICP findings recorded in human **craniosynostotic** studies.

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**Age related changes in intracranial volume in rabbits with craniosynostosis.**

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Neurocapsular growth is highly heritable and determines neurocranial form. Although **craniosynostosis** alters brain growth direction, resulting in compensatory changes in the neurocranium, it is believed that such compensations occur without reduction in intracranial volume. This hypothesis was tested in a rabbit **model** with nonsyndromic, familial coronal suture synostosis. Skulls of 56 rabbits (20 normals, 20 with delayed onset synostosis, and 16 with complete synostosis) were scanned using three-dimensional computed **tomography** at 6 and 18 weeks of age.

Intracranial contents were reconstructed, and indirect intracranial volume was calculated. Qualitatively, re-formations of intracranial contents from completely synostosed rabbit skulls exhibited the typical "copper beaten" morphology. Quantitatively, intracranial volume was significantly ( $p < 0.05$ ) reduced in rabbit skulls with complete synostosis compared with both control rabbit skulls and rabbit skulls with delayed onset synostosis at 6 weeks by 11 percent and 14 percent, respectively). By 18 weeks, intracranial volume in rabbit skulls with synostosis was significantly ( $p < 0.05$ ) reduced (by 12 percent in complete synostosis and 8 percent in delayed onset synostosis) compared with normal rabbits. Results suggest that in rabbits with uncorrected **craniosynostosis**, compensatory changes in the neurocranium were not adequate to allow normal expansion of the neurocapsular matrix. Further research is needed to determine whether reduction in intracranial volume was a result of neural tissue deficiency or cerebrospinal fluid (i.e., ventricular or subarachnoid) space compression in this **model**.

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**Sonography of normal cranial sutures.**

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**OBJECTIVE:** The purpose of this study was to describe the normal sonographic appearance and measurement of normal major **cranial sutures** in neonates and infants. **SUBJECTS AND METHODS:** High-resolution **sonograms** of sagittal, coronal, and lambdoid sutures were obtained for two autopsy specimens and correlated with histologic sections obtained at identical locations. Also, 50 neonates and infants (0-5 months old [corrected age]) who had normally shaped craniums underwent **sonography** of the brain that produced normal findings. These neonates and infants also underwent sutural **sonograms**. The width and thickness of each of the major **cranial sutures** (sagittal, coronal, and lambdoid) were measured, with mean values established. Measurements were analyzed with paired t tests for interobserver variability. Linear regression was used for correlation of measurements with age. **RESULTS:** With a scan plane perpendicular to the suture line, **sonograms** revealed sutures as hypoechoic gaps between two hyperechoic bony plates. On **sonograms**, sagittal sutures had an end-to-end appearance instead of the beveled junction seen throughout most of the coronal and lambdoid sutures. In the 50 patients, **sonograms** revealed the mean width to be 0.89 +/- 0.35 mm (mean +/- SD) for coronal sutures. 0.93 +/- 0.28 mm for sagittal sutures, and 0.96 +/- 0.39 mm for lambdoid sutures. On **sonograms**, mean thickness was 1.97 +/- 0.54 mm for coronal sutures, 1.88 +/- 0.56 mm for sagittal sutures, and 2.49 +/- 0.86 mm for lambdoid sutures. We found no interobserver variability ( $p < .05$ ). With linear regression analysis, we found no correlation between suture width or thickness and patient age ( $r = .01$ ). **CONCLUSION:** In our study, high-resolution **sonography** proved to be a reliable and inexpensive technique capable of defining **cranial sutures**. Preliminary normative data obtained for **cranial suture** width and thickness showed no correlation with age in our population group. The normative data obtained will allow recognition of abnormal sutures, particularly synostotic or diastatic sutures.

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**Cranial suture simulator for ultrasound diagnosis of craniosynostosis**

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**Abstract:** Background: Stereolithographic (SL) biomodelling allows 3D CT to be used to generate solid plastic replicas of anatomical structures (biomodels). Case reports in the literature suggest that such biomodels may have a use in craniofacial surgery but no large series or assessment of utility has been reported. A prospective trial to assess the utility of biomodeiling in craniofacial surgery has been performed.

**Methods:** Forty patients with complex craniofacial abnormalities were selected and 3D CT scanning performed. The data of interest was used to guide a laser to selectively polymerise photosensitive resin to manufacture SL biomodels. The biomodels were used for patient education, diagnosis and operative planning. An assessment protocol was designed to test the hypothesis that biomodels in addition to standard imaging had greater utility in the surgery performed than the standard imaging alone.

**Results:** Anecdotally surgeons found biomodelling useful in 40 complex craniofacial operations. The formal assessment of the first 10 cases suggested biomodels improved operative planning (image 76%, image with bio-model 97%,  $P < 0.01$ ) and diagnosis (image 82.5%, image with biomodel 99.25%,  $P < 0.01$ ). Surgeons estimated that the use of biomodels had reduced operating time by a mean of 16% and were cost effective at a mean price of \$1100 AUS.

**Conclusion:** Biomodelling was reported as an intuitive, user-friendly technology that facilitated diagnosis, operative planning and communication between colleagues and patients. Limitations of the technology were manufacturing time and cost.

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**Volume imaging: three-dimensional appreciation of the fetal head and face.**

Devonald K J; Ellwood D A; Griffiths K A; Kossoff G; Gill R W; Kadi A P; Nash D M; Warren P S; Davis W; Picker R

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Quasi-three-dimensional volume imaging provides an inexpensive means of evaluating the usefulness of three-dimensional imaging. The technique works most efficiently with water-skin interfaces and therefore we investigated its application in obstetrical ultrasonography. Three-dimensional perspectives of the normal and abnormal fetal head and face were spectacular and at times provided more information than the two-dimensional images. The ability of an inexperienced observer to interpret the three-dimensional image more easily may have a role in **training** sonographers and counseling parents whose fetuses have structural defects. Volume imaging has certain limitations and can only be used as a complementary technique.

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**Reduction of operating time and blood transfusion for craniosynostosis by simulated surgery using three-dimensional solid models.**

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Preoperative planning of craniofacial synostosis can be achieved through the use of two- or three-dimensional (3D) computed **tomography** ( **CT** ) images and by 3D solid **models**. The advantage of using 3D **models** was evaluated by calculating the amount of blood transfused and the operating time for 36 **craniosynostosis** procedures, 21 planned with 3D **models** and 15 with **CT** images performed in the past 7 years. The use of 3D **models** reduced both blood loss and operating time for fronto-orbital advancement with reshaping, LeFort III advancement, and LeFort IV minus Glabellar advancement; blood loss for fronto-orbital advancement without reshaping; and operating time for total cranial reshaping.

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**Preliminary experience with medical applications of rapid prototyping by selective laser sintering**

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**Rapid prototyping** techniques, originally developed for building components from computer aided designs in the motor industry, are now being applied in medicine to build **models** of human anatomy from high resolution multiplanar **imaging** data such as computed **tomography (CT)**. The established technique of stereolithography and the more recent selective laser sintering (SLS), both build up an object by layer. **Models** have applications in surgical planning, for the design of customised implants and for training. Preliminary experience of using the SLS technique for medical applications is described, addressing questions regarding image processing, data transfer and manufacture. Pilot **models**, build from nylon, included two skulls (a child with **craniosynostosis** and an adult with hypertelorism) and a normal femur which was modelled for use in a bioengineering test of an artificial hip. The dimensions of the **models** were found to be in good agreement with the **CT** data from which they were built - for the child's skull the difference between the **model** and the **CT** data was less than 1.0 +/- 0.5 mm in each direction. Our experience showed that, with care, a combination of existing software packages may be used for data conversion. Ideally, image data of high spatial resolution should be used. The pilot **models** generated sufficient clinical interest for the technique to be pursued in the orthopaedic field.

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**Accuracy of Life-size, CT-based, Computer-Generated Plastic Skull Replicas. The cause of bone deficits in the orbital floor.**

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**Abstract:** The life-size, CT-based, computer-generated skull **replica** has come to play an important role in the field of craniofacial surgery. The skull **replica**, however, has a deficit in that bones of the orbital wall have been partly lost during the manufacturing process. This deficit diminishes the value of skull **replicas** for operations in the orbital regions. There are three major factors supposedly responsible for this "apparent" loss of bone in the orbital wall: the first factor concerns those errors produced during the process of thresholding, the second those during the process of interpolation, and the third those during **model** fabrication utilizing laser lithography. The objective of this study was to elucidate to what extent each factor is responsible for the "false" bone deficits. Materials and Methods: Helical volume CT data of the whole head were accumulated with a TCT-900S (Toshiba Co.) with respect to a 5-year-old girl with preoperative unicoronal synostosis. Using this volume data, 0.2mm slice data were prepared and a skull **replica** fabricated with a threshold CT value of 200HU. The **skull** was cut at the level of the frontonasal **suture** and a photograph of the orbital floors (A) was taken from above (Fig. 3). 3-D osseous surface images of the orbital floors then were reconstructed with the 0.2mm slice data with threshold CT values of 200HU (B) and 100HU (C). Slice data then were prepared with an interval of 2.0mm and images interpolated at 0.2mm on the workstation (Sun SPARC station 2). From these interpolated slice data, 3-D osseous surface images of the orbital floors were reconstructed with threshold CT values of 200HU (D) and 100HU (E). The ratios of the area of bone loss to the whole orbital floors in the photograph (A) and 3-D osseous surface images (B,C,D,E) were evaluated with a personal computer (Fig. 4) and then compared with each other. (author abst.)

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**Cranial suture simulator for ultrasound diagnosis of craniosynostosis**

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**MODEL-BASED DEFORMABLE SURFACE FINDING FOR MEDICAL IMAGES**

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**Abstract:** This paper describes a new global shape parameterization for smoothly deformable three-dimensional (3-D) objects, such as those found in biomedical images, whose diversity and irregularity make them difficult to represent in terms of fixed features or parts. This **representation** is used for geometric surface matching to 3-D medical image data, such as from magnetic resonance imaging (MRI). The parameterization decomposes the surface into sinusoidal basis functions. Four types of surfaces are modeled: tori, open surfaces, closed surfaces and tubes. This parameterization allows a wide variety of smooth surfaces to be described with a small number of parameters. Extrinsic **model**-based information is incorporated by introducing prior probabilities on the parameters. Surface finding is formulated as an optimization problem, Results of the method applied to synthetic images and 3-D medical images of the heart and brain are presented.

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**Medical simulator for use as screening tool to detect craniosynotosis, has life size model with simulated patent skull sutures, where echogenicity of each suture enables suture to be readily distinguishable in image of model**

Patent Assignee: UNIV WASHINGTON (UNIW)

Inventor: NGO A; SZE R W

Patent Family ( 1 patents, 1 countries )

Patent Number	Kind	Date	Application Number	Kind	Date	Update	Type
US 20040175685	A1	20040909	US 2002431279	P	20021205	200462	B
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NOVELTY - The simulator has a life size model (10) of a human head, where the model includes simulated patent skull sutures (12). An echogenicity of each simulated patent skull suture enables the simulated patent skull suture to be readily distinguishable in an ultrasound image of the model. The model is fabricated from a material and the patent skull suture has an opening formed in the material.

DESCRIPTION - An INDEPENDENT CLAIM is also included for a method of making an ultrasound trainer configured to train ultrasound operators to perform craniosynotosis screenings using ultrasound.

USE - Used for simulating an anatomical position of a skull suture in infant or young children to train a radiologist and an ultrasound technician in anatomy of pediatric **cranial suture** and also as a screening tool to detect craniosynotosis.

ADVANTAGE - The life size model with simulated patent skull suture enables the simulated patent skull suture to be readily distinguishable in an **ultrasound** image of the model, thereby enabling trainees to acquire familiarity with the **ultrasound** scanning techniques and the required understanding of skull anatomy. The model also enables the trainees to become familiar with the range of normal and abnormal findings they encounter with real patients.

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10 Life size model

12 Simulated patent skull sutures

**Title Terms** /Index Terms/Additional Words: MEDICAL; SIMULATE; SCREEN; TOOL; DETECT; LIFE; SIZE;



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**Artificial bone/cartilage manufacturing method e.g. for mouth bone, involves forming liquid and powder mixture in layers repeatedly, on solid surface to form three-dimensional (3D) bone/cartilage structure**

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**NOVELTY** - The powder and liquid materials are mixed and injected on solid surface through nozzle (1). A layer made of powder and liquid mixture is formed on solid surface by adhering liquid material on the surface. The mixture is formed in layers repeatedly, on solid surface to form three-dimensional (3D) bone/cartilage structure. The mix ratio of powder and liquid material is changed based on patient's bone/cartridge image.

**USE** - For manufacturing artificial bone/cartilage of mouth, and lips affected by microtia, **cranial sutures**, uranoschisis, malignant osteoncus, using injection molding technique.

**ADVANTAGE** - Provides excellent transplantable bio-compatible bone/cartilage for human by easily changing mix ratio of powder and liquid materials based on the bone/cartilage image of patient.

**DESCRIPTION OF DRAWINGS** - The figure shows the schematic diagram of the artificial bone/cartilage manufacturing apparatus.

1 nozzle

2 powder gas fluidization tank

3 liquid material container

4 powder flow path

5 liquid flow path

**Title Terms /Index Terms/Additional Words:** ARTIFICIAL; BONE; CARTILAGE; MANUFACTURE; METHOD; MOUTH; FORMING; LIQUID; POWDER; MIXTURE; LAYER; REPEAT; SOLID; SURFACE; FORM; THREE; DIMENSION; STRUCTURE

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**Medical training doll head articulator controller has rails on a perforated base carrying the mobile articulator with fasteners**

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Inventor: FERNANDES P

Patent Family ( 1 patents, 1 countries )

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WPI Acc no: 1999-255677/

XRPX Acc No: N1999-190397

**Biomechanical head model to demonstrate load distribution on head and throat muscle groups**

Patent Assignee: STELZENMUELLER W (STEL-I)

Inventor: STELZENMUELLER W

Patent Family ( 2 patents, 1 countries )

Patent Number	Kind	Date	Application Number	Kind	Date	Update	Type
DE 19742834	A1	19990401	DE 19742834	A	19970928	199922	B
DE 19742834	B4	20040129	DE 19742834	A	19970928	200408	E

Priority Applications (no., kind, date): DE 19742834 A 19970928

Patent Details

Patent Number	Kind	Lan	Pgs	Draw	Filing Notes
DE 19742834	A1	DE	5	2	

**Alerting Abstract DE A1**

NOVELTY - The model comprises an artificial skull (1) with articulately arranged lower jaw bones (2) and a rod or tubular support (3) simulating the upper end of the spinal column which is bendable and stabilisable in each arbitrary curvature position. The support at its lower end is held in a base (5) and at its upper end the artificial skull is held.

DESCRIPTION - The base by means of ball joints (8,9) is held with angle graduation (10) in an upright (11) and on the support, the base and lower jaw bones (2) retainers (12) are provided for fitting elastic draw springs (14) with integrated spring balances (15). These springs **simulate** the human muscle **train** holding and moving the **head** and lower jaw bones.

USE - To place in evidence the reactive effects of biomechanical alterations in the head and throat area on the masticatory musculature.

ADVANTAGE - The model enables the distribution of loads on the various muscle groups to be demonstrated.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWINGS - The figure presents schematically a biomechanical model.

1 artificial skull

2 lower jaw bones

3 support

5 base

8,9 ball joints

10 angle graduation

11 upright

12 retainers

14 draw springs  
15 spring balances

**Title Terms /Index Terms/Additional Words:** HEAD; MODEL; DEMONSTRATE; LOAD; DISTRIBUTE;  
THROAT; MUSCLE; GROUP

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WPI Acc no: 1990-232154/

XRAM Acc no: C1990-100249

XRPX Acc No: N1990-180025

**EEG teaching head model - has polyester head with iron filings fitted with black and white circular magnets**

Patent Assignee: KOLLIKOWSKI H (KOLL-I)

Inventor: KOLLIKOWSK H

Patent Family ( 1 patents, 1 countries )

Patent Number	Kind	Date	Application Number	Kind	Date	Update	Type
DE 3900006	C	19900802	DE 3900006	A	19890102	199031	B

Priority Applications (no., kind, date): DE 3900006 A 19890102

**Alerting Abstract** DE C

EEG teaching **head model trains** in electrode placing for an EEG hood in accordance with the international 10-20 system. The head should consist of totally magnetic plastics and should be fitted with a set of black and white marked circular magnets. Pref. head material is polyester with embedded fine iron filings in a ratio of 6:1.

USE/ADVANTAGE - Model is used for training, EEG electrode positioning. Easily transported polyester head with iron filings presents a nonscratching surface for marking out with indicating magnets.

**Title Terms /Index Terms/Additional Words:** EEG; TEACH; HEAD; MODEL; POLYESTER; IRON; FILE; FIT; BLACK; WHITE; CIRCULAR; MAGNET

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File Segment: CPI; EngPI

DWPI Class: A96; P85

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WPI Acc no: 2004-642118/

XRPX Acc No: N2004-507814

**Medical simulator for use as screening tool to detect craniosynotosis, has life size model with simulated patent skull sutures, where echogenicity of each suture enables suture to be readily distinguishable in image of model**

Patent Assignee: UNIV WASHINGTON (UNIW)

Inventor: NGO A; SZE R W

Patent Family ( 1 patents, 1 countries )

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US 20040175685	A1	20040909	US 2002431279	P	20021205	200462	B
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Priority Applications (no., kind, date): US 2002431279 P 20021205; US 2003729364 A 20031205

Patent Details

Patent Number	Kind	Lan	Pgs	Draw	Filing Notes	
US 20040175685	A1	EN	17	7	Related to Provisional	US 2002431279

**Alerting Abstract US A1**

NOVELTY - The simulator has a life size model (10) of a human head, where the model includes simulated patent skull sutures (12). An echogenicity of each simulated patent skull suture enables the simulated patent skull suture to be readily distinguishable in an **ultrasound** image of the model. The model is fabricated from a material and the patent **skull suture** has an opening formed in the material.

DESCRIPTION - An INDEPENDENT CLAIM is also included for a method of making an ultrasound trainer configured to train ultrasound operators to perform craniosynotosis screenings using ultrasound.

USE - Used for simulating an anatomical position of a **skull suture** in infant or young children to train a radiologist and an **ultrasound** technician in anatomy of pediatric cranial suture and also as a screening tool to detect craniosynotosis.

ADVANTAGE - The life size model with simulated patent **skull suture** enables the simulated patent **skull suture** to be readily distinguishable in an **ultrasound** image of the model, thereby enabling trainees to acquire familiarity with the **ultrasound** scanning techniques and the required understanding of skull anatomy. The model also enables the trainees to become familiar with the range of normal and abnormal findings they encounter with real patients.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWINGS - The drawing schematically illustrates a doll's head in which openings corresponding to **skull sutures** have been made, producing a simulator for use in training **ultrasound** technicians in craniosynotosis screening.

10 Life size model

12 Simulated patent **skull sutures**

**Title Terms /Index Terms/Additional Words:** MEDICAL; SIMULATE; SCREEN; TOOL; DETECT; LIFE; SIZE;

MODEL; PATENT; SKULL; SUTURE; ENABLE; READY; DISTINGUISH; IMAGE

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**3-D Ultrasound Helps Identify Abnormalities in Fetal Brain, Spine, Abdomen.**

GLASS, JUDY

OB GYN News , 36 , 7 , 13

April 1 , 2001

ISSN: 0029-7437

**Language:** English    **Record Type:** Fulltext

**Word Count:** 800    **Line Count:** 00069

...that is not as easily obtainable with 2-D ultrasound.

\* Fetal brain and cranial structure **imaging**. Viewing the fetus through the fontanelle using the 3-D endovaginal probe provides an optimal window for **imaging** fetal brain anatomy, including enlarged ventricles and posterior fossa abnormalities not available with standard **ultrasound**. The 3-D images of the skull are superior to the conventional 2-D view that is often limited to the **cranial sutures** due to the natural curvature of the skull.

\* Evaluation of the spine. The ability to...

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**Helping Doctors Feel Better.(Technology Information)**

AMATO, IVAN

Technology Review (Cambridge, Mass.), 104 , 3 , 65

April , 2001

ISSN: 1099-274X

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...At Beth Israel Deaconess, residents must demonstrate proficiency with a MedSim device--a non-haptic **dummy** torso used for **ultrasound** training--before performing a real intravaginal **ultrasound**. But with haptics so new, no student is yet required to master any haptics-enhanced ...

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**Bigger, Better Ultrasound Volumes.(Technology Information)**

Mahoney, Diana Phillips

Computer Graphics World , v 22 , n 12 , p 18

Dec , 1999

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...is intended. For example, MedSim has patented the technology for use in a real-time **ultrasound**-based visual simulator that it has developed for medical training. With the system, students learn how to identify and diagnose a range of medical conditions by operating a **simulated ultrasound** device on a **mannequin**. For this application, says Cohen-Or, "the mosaics let us build a database large enough...

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**New device makes medical scans easy.**

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